

The roots of the William and Laren Bailey family started when the two of them met in the state of Texas in the late 1800.

Laren was the daughter of self-style D-preacher - Peter Wilson and Harriett Wilson. Peter Wilson came along in the slavery years. He had received a mark of a gun shot in his jaw. Although he had been wounded, he was fiery in speaking and was full of the spirit in singing. Peter had a high-pitched voice. He was quick to correct. All friends and acquaintances called him "Uncle Peter, Peter Wilson, or even "Grand Pa Peter".

"Grand Pa" Peter lived quite a few years. He and Grand ma Harriett moved from Texas in the early 1900's. William and Laren soon followed them to Oklahoma. Their family had already grown. William and Laren had nine children the youngest at that time was Mae Willie E. B. The family located in an area in Southeastern Okla, rural farming community. New town, Brown Chapel - James. During their stay four more children were born two of which were twin sons - Harry Allen

slavery years in Tex.

Name, Counties & towns

Roosevelt
Rebecca
Oscar
Red
Ethel
Otis
Mable
Norma
Mae Willie

Joe Nathan/Nathaniel, and Jewel, the last to be born.

Grand Pa Peter and Grand Ma Harriett lived closely until Grand Ma Harriett died just before the twins were born, but Grand Pa Peter soon became a part of the family. Rebecca studied to become a teacher for a short time both she and Roosevelt did some extra work in education, then they each followed early job interests and moved away from the family in the twenties. William, Loren and Grand Pa Peter, and the family moved to Huttonville, a large community consisting of many Afro-American families mixed bred with Afro-Indians and Native Oklahomans. Soon Oscar left and went back to paint in Texas. Loren became a very active person in family, help school activities and church.

She served a P.T.A. president for many years helping parents come to school activities. 4-H Club, academic quiz weekly student contests, school family rallies, church/pastor comforting services, baptisms, daily church training, some instances invited into the natives funeral services

Grand Pa Peter died after a few years in the
The family was in search for stable
residence so finally William and Lareen
move to share Croppin Sulphur Spring

Rebecca — no children

Rossvelt —

Oscar — three

Ethel, (Martin) Spivey

James Otis —

Mable Law

Herman —

Willie MacOsborn (three sons) seven (known) grand.

(Harry) deceased

Jonathan none (Rev.)

Nathaniel, one

Jewel — three